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Nominations Sought for Noxious Weed Advisory Committee

BROOMFIELD, Colo. – Three positions within the State Noxious Weed Advisory Committee will become vacant in December 2014. Nominations are now being sought to fill these important positions.

The primary responsibility of the committee is to discuss Colorado's weed management problems and craft solutions that best reflect public and private interests. The committee then makes recommendations to the Colorado Department of Agriculture concerning designation of state noxious weeds; classification of state noxious weeds; development and implementation of state weed management plans; and prescribed techniques for eradication, containment, and suppression of state noxious weeds.

The state advisory committee consists of seventeen members who are appointed by the Commissioner of Agriculture, John Salazar. The members of this committee play an important role in shaping department and state policy concerning noxious weeds. Their recommendations help protect landowners and the environment.

The committee meets quarterly at the Broomfield office, with at least one field trip and meeting out of the Denver area annually. Members serve at their own expense with the exception of occasional meals.

CDA makes every effort to balance the interests of the committee and to ensure different geographic areas of the state are represented equally. Terms are two years in length and appointees are limited to two full consecutive terms each.

Positions becoming vacant in December include:

- Agricultural producers (2 positions)
- At-large (1 position)

Nominations are currently being accepted and must be submitted no later than October 10th. More information can be found at www.colorado.gov/ag/weeds.

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